

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 15

Introduced by: Pelath, Budak

A RESOLUTION urging the Indiana department of transportation to rename the overpass on U.S. Highway 35 in LaPorte, Indiana, in honor of former Secretary of State Edwin J. Simcox.

Whereas, It is the sense of the Indiana House of Representatives that the overpass on U.S. Highway 35 in LaPorte, Indiana, be named the "Edwin J. Simcox Overpass";

Whereas, Edwin J. Simcox, of LaPorte, Indiana, served as secretary of state of Indiana from 1978 through 1986, culminating a colorful and successful career as an elected official in service to his community and his state;

Whereas, While serving as secretary of state, Edwin J.

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Simcox was appointed by President Ronald Reagan to the Peace Corp Advisory Council;

Whereas, Before serving as secretary of state, Edwin J. Simcox nobly served the state as the secretary of the Indiana Republican State Committee;

Whereas, Upon leaving office, Edwin J. Simcox became president of the Indiana Electrical Association;

Whereas, Edwin J. Simcox is not simply interested in the governmental and financial well-being of his community and his state, he also works to better the spiritual environment of our state as witness by his being named the crusade chairman for the 1999 Billy Graham Crusade in Indiana; and

Whereas, It is fitting that proper signage be placed on the overpass on U. S. Highway 35 through LaPorte, Indiana, designating it as the "Edwin J. Simcox Overpass": Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That in recognition of the many achievements of Edwin J. Simcox and his outstanding service to the state of Indiana and the LaPorte community, the Indiana General Assembly urges the Indiana department of transportation to designate the overpass on U.S. Highway 35 in LaPorte, Indiana, in honor of Edwin J. Simcox.

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SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of Edwin J. Simcox and the commissioner of the Indiana department of transportation.

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